



THE FALCONER

June 2006

Opening Day Info

As our first opening day approaches quickly, we wanted to give you a few reminders. **Each camper must have a completed medical form to be admitted to camp.** If you have not already mailed this to us, please make sure you bring it with you.

Arrival time on opening day is 1:00 – 4:00, unless previously approved by the director. Please help us by observing these times. Leave your pets at home! As nice as your family pet may be, so many children moving about in a new environment is a safety issue. We do have our own camp dogs that you may pet as much as you want.

Check through the parent handbook to make sure you have everything ready for the summer and feel free to contact us anytime if you have any questions.

Unit Name Changes

Since the inception of camp in 1959 to the early 1980s each unit was identified by a specific bird. After a lot of discussion, we've decided to return to this old tradition! The Junior Girls will now be the Cardinals, the Senior Girls will now be the Hawks, the Junior Boys will be the Blue Jays, and the Senior Boys will be the Eagles. Those of you who look at the older high flyer boards in the dining hall will recognize most of these names as the original Falcon group names. We felt like these names are more fun than just "girls" and "boys" and creates another sense of continuity throughout our Falcon history.

With this change we are also re-numbering the cabins to simplify the system in camp. Each unit will have cabins numbered 1 – 4. In the Cardinal Unit the cabins will be C1, C2, C3, and C4. In the Hawk unit the cabins will be H1 - H4. In the Blue

Jay unit the cabins will be B1 - B4. In the Eagle unit the cabins will be E1 - E4.

Unit Leaders

The 2006 Unit Leaders are as follows: in the Cardinal Unit will be Jenn Mizen with Alison Mizen in the Hawk Unit. The Blue Jay Unit leader will be Pat Dezort, and the Eagle Unit will be Nat Sheppard.

Staff Notes

The staff at Falcon has always been a key ingredient to our success and once again this year our staff looks great. We are excited to welcome old and new! Here are a few more names to add to our list:

Charles Musselman will be at Falcon for his first summer. He will work in both riflery and the stables. Charles is currently working towards his degree at Hocking College as a farrier.

Abby New comes to Falcon from Auckland, New Zealand. She will be working out in the stables.

James Pocock is coming to Falcon from the United Kingdom. James will be working in Tennis, Sailing, and Athletics.

Aaron Sutton is from Marietta, OH. After graduating from Kenyon College in May of 2005 he is pursuing his teaching certificate at Ohio University. He will be working in athletics and many other places around camp.

Paul Smith rejoins us for his sixth summer. Paul graduates from University School this spring and will be working in waterfront and athletics.

Jimmy Tumen will be at camp for his tenth summer. Jimmy just finished his freshman year at Miami University and is pursuing a degree in Zoology. Jimmy will be working in woodlore, archery, and canoeing this summer.

From the Director

We are proud to announce the launching of our new website. After many hours of work and revisions to get things working correctly, Todd Lennig has the new site up and running and it looks great. Take a couple minutes to look it over; we are especially grateful for the map Todd's wife Melissa drew of camp.

All of us are getting excited about summer as we put the finishing touches on camp. We are assembling the last new wood beds for the girls unit, putting a new roof on the tack room at the stables, put fresh gravel in a bunch of different places around camp, and coating all the cabin roofs. Much of the time we have been dancing in and out of all the rain this spring.

There is a new platform in riflery to replace to the old one. We bought a floating mat for the swimming area that can be used to teach diving as well as a fun toy for open swim.

Our new farm property gives us an additional 54 acres added to our 74 acres so we will have several additional overnight spots and some new nature areas to explore.

There are some new horses in our herd for horse lovers to get to know and more trails to ride. We are really looking forward to the start of camp!

See you in a couple weeks!

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